



San Fernando Valley

MLK Community Breakfast

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Hundreds of people made their way to the **Boys & Girls Club** in Pacoima to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The event is a free community breakfast organized by the SFV African American Leadership Organization. The breakfast is funded primarily by local African American churches. However, in recent years contributions from elected officials and local businesses have joined in making the event possible.

This was a great day for even the youngest to learn about the legacy of Dr. King.

Los Angeles District Attorney Jackie Lacey inspired the audience.



Nicole Chase (Boys & Girls Club) welcomed the audience!



Our thanks to the beautiful ladies of the AKA Sorority who come each to greet and register guests.





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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. gave his famous “I have a dream” speech on August 28, 1963, so the year 2013 marks the 50th Anniversary of the speech. The King Holiday is a U.S. federal holiday. MLK day is observed on the third Monday of January each year, which is around the time of King’s birthday which is January 15.



We were pleased to have the **Cleveland High School Army JROTC Color Guard**



The Community came out in large numbers to celebrate the day!



Thanks to our partners at **KABC-TV** for providing coverage of this event. Our cameraman was **Stephen Coleman**.



Mrs. **Allene Wynn** was honored with flowers as our beautiful official centenarian at the event!



At the close of the event everyone joined in to sing “**Lift Every Voice and Sing**” which is known as the Negro National Anthem or the African American National Anthem. The song was first written as a poem in 1899 by James Weldon Johnson and was later set to music by his brother John Rosamond Johnson.